

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph at page 24, line 14 - page 25, line 2, as follows:

“At this step, which is carried out at the user’s location, the system samples a biometric sample of the user. The system may ask the user to enter some additional details such as his name, a password known only to the user, etc. The biometric sample 9080, the user’s details 110 and the document(s) to be signed, 10, are processed by a hash function, encrypted and then sent to the server. The server authenticates the identity of the user, compares the received document(s) with the authentic document(s) stored at the server’s storage, and if all tests fail to detect any forgery, then the digital signature process is approved.”